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MS PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application claiming priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of Provisional Application No(s). 60/439,024 filed on January 10, 2003.

Inventor(s): Matthew J. MORIN

For: SKI SLED WITH BOOT BLOCKS AND RIDER-OPERATED WEIGHT

TRANSFER DEVICE FOR STEERING

Enclosed are:

\boxtimes	A specification consisting of seventeen (17) pages					
\boxtimes	Eleven (11) sheet(s) of informal drawings					
	An assignment of the invention					
	Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Application No(s). filed in on . Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto. Certified copy(ies) will follow.					
\boxtimes	Executed Declaration (Original Photocopy)					
\boxtimes	Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.					

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	Preliminary Amendment
	Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76
	Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)
	Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee
	Non-publication Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. § $122(b)(2)(B)(i)$
	Other:
\boxtimes	Provisional application filed in English: \square YES \square NO
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